

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows:

**On page 1, the first full paragraph has been amended as follows:**

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This application is related to U.S. patent application Serial No. 09/965,805, filed October 1, 2001, filed on even date herewith, entitled "Three Valve Filter Element Support for Filter Cartridge," and incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

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